

(d) the impact of this import on our health and environment?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (d) As per Hazardous Wastes (Management and Handling) Rules, 1989 and amendments thereof, import of hazardous waste for dumping and disposal is banned since 1989. The Hon'ble Supreme Court has totally banned import of hazardous wastes into the country since May, 1997. Strict compliance of the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court is ensured.

Import of recyclable wastes is permitted subject to availability of valid consents under the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, valid authorization under the Hazardous Wastes (Management and Handling) Rules, 1989, as amended in 2000 and after ensuring that facilities for processing and disposal of wastes in an environmentally sound manner are available.

Local purchase of medicines by CGHS

249. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether local purchased Allopathic and Ayurvedic medicines, though not received by CGHS beneficiaries, are being verified by dispensaries for payment to chemists in Delhi;

(b) if so, the number and details of complaints received by Government from the beneficiaries;

(c) whether Government propose to instruct CGHS dispensaries or chemists to mention manufacturing date, company name with rate in indent, before LP medicines are given to CGHS beneficiaries; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken to stop such malpractices in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Yes, Sir. The local purchase medicines received in the dispensary against the indent of a particular beneficiary, if not collected by the said

beneficiary within 15 days from the date of indent, then such medicines are issued to other beneficiaries and is verified by the concerned dispensary for payment to chemists.

(b) No such complaints have been received in this regard.

(c) The instructions regarding mentioning the manufacturing date, name of manufacturer and rate in the local purchase indent is already existing in the contract between the CGHS and the authorised local chemist and these instructions are being complied with.

(d) In view of (c) above, the question does not arise.

CCCL report on condition of Indian Children

250: SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the report of the Centre of Concern for Child Labour (CCCL), a Non-Governmental Organisation, submitted to the Child Rights Convention (CRC) Committee of the United Nations about the conditions in which the country's millions of children are living;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the reaction of Government with regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) As per information available with the Department of Women and Child Development, the nodal Department for the Convention on the Rights of the Child, no Alternate Report has been submitted to UN Committee on CRC by the Centre of Concern for Child Labour.